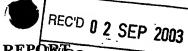
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VI Certain documents cited	Certain documents cited									
VII Certain defects in the inte	Certain defects in the international application									
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I.		Basis of the repo	ort					
1.			ments of the international application:*					
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		the description,	pages , as originally filed,					
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		the claims,	pages , as originally filed,					
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2.	With	With regard to the language, all the elements marked above were available or furnished to this Authority in the language in						
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			a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (under Rule 23.1(b)).					
			publication of the international application (under Rule 48.3(b)).					
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	L	and/or 55.3).						
3.	With	ith regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application, the international						
	pr	preliminary examination was carried out on the basis of the sequence listing:						
			international application in written form.					
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4.		The amendments	have resulted in the cancellation of:					
		the desc	ription, pages					
		the clair	ns, Nos.					
		the draw	rings, sheets/fig.					
5.		This report has b	een established as if (some of) the amendments had not been made, since they have been considered to					
		go beyond the di	sclosure as filed, as indicated in the Supplemental Box (Rule 70.2(c)).**					
*	Replacement sheets which have been furnished to the receiving Office in response to an invitation under Article 14 are referred to in this report as "originally filed" and are not annexed to this report since they do not contain amendments (Rules 70.16 and 70.17).							
**	Any replacement sheet containing such amendments must be referred to under item 1 and annexed to this report							

V. Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1.	Statement						
	Novelty (N)	. Claims	1-26		YES		
	b	Claims			NO		
	Inventive step (IS)	Claims	1-26		YES		
		Claims		, ·	NO		
	Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-26		YES		
	. •	Claims			NO		

2. Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)

Novelty (N) and Inventive Step (IS)

All the documents cited in the ISR were category A only. Therefore the claimed invention is not disclosed in any of these patent documents and hence all the claims are novel.

The claimed invention is not obvious in the light of any of the cited documents nor disclosed in any obvious combination, nor would the claimed invention be obvious to a person skilled in the art in the light of common general knowledge by itself or in combination with any of these documents.